## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

WITOLD BAGINSKI,

Plaintiff,

V.

BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON; EUGENIUSZ RACHELSKI, individually and in his official capacity as Councilman; KHALDOUN ANDROWIS individually and in his official capacity as Councilman; MELISSA DABAL, individually and in her official capacity as Councilwoman; BRYAN OLKOWSKI, individually and in his official capacity as Councilman; VICTOR POLCE, individually and in his official capacity as Borough Administrator, XYZ CORP. INC. (1—10); JOHN DOES (1-10) AND JANE DOES (1-10),

CASE NO: 2:17-cv-05320 (JLL) (JAD)

Civil Action

CERTIFICATION OF RICHARD MALAGIERE, ESQ.

## Defendants

- I, Richard Malagiere, hereby certify as follows:
- 1. I am an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey and am admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.
- 2. I am the Borough Attorney for the Defendant, Borough of Wallington (the "Borough), and my firm is co-counsel for the Borough in this matter.
- 3. I make this certification in opposition to the motion by Plaintiff, Wiltold Baginski, for discovery sanctions, related to the Borough's production of documents in July and August of this year.
- 4. As part of my handling of this matter, I have worked to facilitate communication between Borough employees and officials to ensure that all relevant materials have been identified and produced in discovery.

5. To that end, in or about July 2020, I sought to confirm that relevant documents

have been produced. This included the report of an investigation by the firm of Ruderman &

Glickman about complaints by Baginski that Defendant, Melissa Dabal, had violated the Open

Public Records Act by accessing OPRA logs at the Borough and all available emails from

Baginski's employer provider email accounts,

6. On July 17, 2020 at 4:50 AM, I directed Mathew Gilson, Esq. (an associate in my

office) to review previous discovery responses to confirm that this had been produced and, if it

had not been produced, to work with the Borough's information technology consultants and the

Borough Administrator, Hector Olmo, to obtain this material and produce it as soon as possible.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any

of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

s/ Richard Malagiere

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